

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota is blessed with a multitude of families, an essential part of the cultural, social, and spiritual fabric that is South Dakota; and,

Whereas, South Dakota recognizes that strong families are at the center of strong communities and that everyone has a role to play in making families successful, including neighborhood organizations, businesses, nonprofit agencies, policymakers, and, of course, families themselves; and,

Whereas, During Thanksgiving week, we should take the time to honor the importance of families and recognize the special connections that support and strengthen families all year long; and,

Whereas, We should recommit to enhancing and extending all the connections that strengthen and enrich families; and,

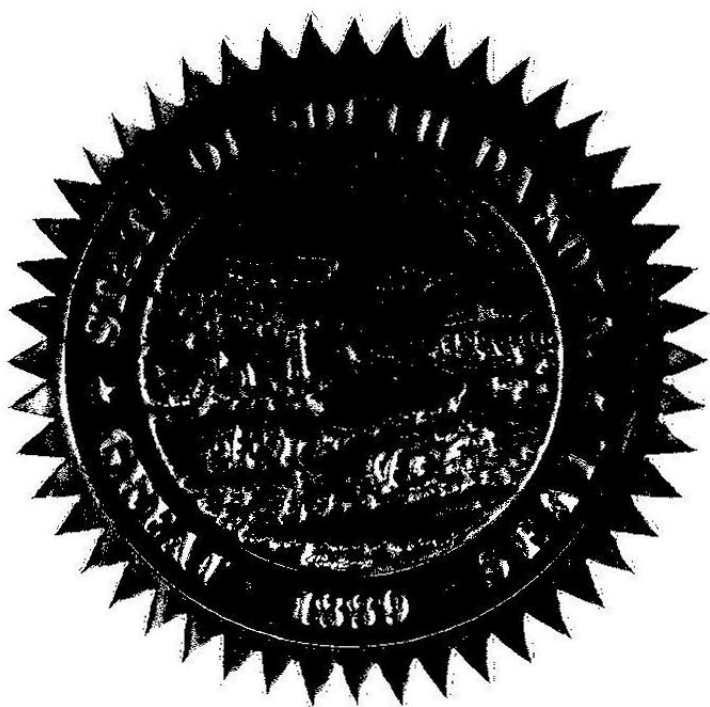
Whereas, With the assistance and resources of family and consumer agencies and organizations across the state, we can help families create a better future for all South Dakotans:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 18-24, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I commit this observance to the people of South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.



M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State